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# ELECTION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 17, PARAGRAPHS 4 AND 5, OF THE CONVENTION, OF TWELVE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN, TO REPLACE THOSE WHOSE TERMS ARE DUE TO EXPIRE ON 16 APRIL 1990

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. In addition to the nominations received as of 12 January 1990 listed in document CEDAW/SP/16 and Add.1, the Secretary-General has received the following nominations for the election of 12 members of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in accordance with article 17, paragraph 3, of the Convention:

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| Ms. Charlotte Abaka | Ghana |
| Ms. Zakya Abdulsalam Alsahli | Libyan Arab Jamahiriya |
| Ms. Zagorka Ilić | Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia |
| Ms. Dora Gladys Nancy Bravo Núñez de Ramsey | Ecuador |
| Ms. Rose N. Ukeje | Federal Republic of Nigeria |

2. Biographical data concerning the above candidates, as furnished by their Governments, is annexed hereto.

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Annex

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA OF PERSONS, AS FURNISHED BY GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES PARTIES

Ms. Charlotte Abaka (Ghana)

[Original: English]

Date of birth: 5th August, 1941

Place of birth: Akim Oda, Ghana

Marital status: Married with 4 children

Educational background:

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| 1955-1959: | Holy Child Secondary School, Cape Coast |
| 1961-1965: | Phillips University, Marburg, West Germany |
| 1965-1966: | Wolfgang Von Guethe University, Frankfurt/Main, West Germany |
| February 1967: | Qualified as Dental Surgeon, DR. MED. DENT. |

Professional experience:

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| 1967-1968: | Supervising Assistant, University Dental Clinic, Frankfurt/Main |
| 1968-1971: | Dental Surgeon in private dental clinic in Nuernberg, West Germany |
| 1971-1973: | Dental Surgeon, Komfo Anokye Government Hospital, Kumasi, Ghana |
| 1974-1975: | Dental Surgeon in Charge of Manhyia Polyclinic, Kumasi, Ghana |
| 1975-1976: | Dental Surgeon in Charge of Mampong District Hospital, Mampong, Ghana |
| 1976-1977: | Dental Surgeon in Charge of Dunkwa Hospital, Dunkwa-on-Offin, Ghana |
| 1977 to present: | In private practice as Resident Dental Surgeon in charge. |

Membership of professional bodies:

1. Ghana Medical and Dental Council

2. Ghana Medical Association

3. Society of General Medical Practitioners

Membership of other organizations:

World University Service (1961-1965);

ASTA (Umbrella University Students Association in Germany) 1962-1965;

Founding Member of Kumasi Diocesan Marriage Counselling Bureau (1977-1980);

National Catholic Ethics Commission (1978-1987);

National Catholic Justice and Peace Commission (1978-1989);

National Catholic Laity Council (1978-1984);

31st December Women's Movement of Ghana.

Membership of public boards and committees:

Vice-Chairman, Komfo Anokye Hospital Environment Fund;

Vice-Chairman, Ashanti Regional Consultative Committee (1987-1989);

Chairman, Management Board of St. Louise Training College (1980-1987);

Chairman of Manhyia Polyclinic Interim Management Committee (since 1985);

Golden Jubilee of Asanteman Restoration Planning Committee;

University of Science and Technology Welfare Fund, Kumasi;

Acting Chairperson, National Council on Women and Development, Ghana (since July 1989);

Management Board, Kumasi Technical Institute (since 1989).

Topics of lectures given:

Women's role and contribution to national development;

Family life with special emphasis on shared responsibilities of parents;

Child care and rights of children;

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Justice and peace in society;

Attended several national seminars on gender awareness issues. Led Ghana delegation to 4th UNECA/OAU Conference on Integration of Women in Development in Africa, Nigeria (6th to 10th November 1989).

Ms. Zakia Al-Sahili (Libyan Arab Jamahiriya)

[Original: English]

Place and date of birth: Benghazi, 1950

Educational background:

B.A. Business Administration, GAR Younis University, 1975

One academic year at the Institute of Diplomatic Studies, Tripoli, 1977

Languages: English

Current position: In charge of Economic and Information Affairs at the People's Bureau, Brussels, Belgium

1978-1988: At the Economic and Social Affairs Section of the Department of International Organizations at the People's Bureau for Foreign Liaison and International Cooperation, Tripoli, Libya

She represented Libya at the following international meetings and conferences:

Twenty-seventh session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, New York, 1978

Twenty-eighth session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, Austria, 1980

United Nations Conference on the Decade for Women, Denmark, 1980

Conference of Non-Aligned Ministers on the Inclusion of Women in Development, India, 1985

Thirty-third session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women, Vienna, 1989 (Observer Status)

Thirty-eighth session of the United Nations Economic Affairs Committee, 1983

Sixth United Nations Conference of Trade and Development, UNCTAD, Geneva, 1987

United Nations Conference on an International Code of Conduct on the Transfer of Technology

Conference of African Trade Ministers, 1987, Addis Ababa

Conference of the Group of 77, Cuba, 1987

Conference of the Group of 77, celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Group, 1989

Ms. Zagorka Ilić (Yugoslavia)

[Original: English]

Ms. Zagorka ILIĆ graduated from the Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade.

During her diplomatic career served in London, Geneva and New York. From 1987-1988, Director of the Department for International Organizations in the Federal Secretariat for Foreign Affairs. Presently, Adviser to the Federal Secretary for Foreign Affairs. Dealt mainly with social and humanitarian issues, falling within the domain of the United Nations and its specialized agencies, viz.: the Third Committee of the General Assembly, the Commission on Human Rights, the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities, the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, ILO, UNICEF, UNESCO, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Red Cross, etc.; participated in the work of the above bodies and organizations.

From 1986-89, Head of the Yugoslav delegation to the United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

Took part in numerous seminars and meetings on the following subjects: racial discrimination, rights of the minorities, celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (Togo and Milano, 1988).

Member of the Yugoslav delegation to the World Conference on International Women's Year (Mexico, 1975), the World Conference on the United Nations Decade for Women, Copenhagen, 1980 and Nairobi, 1985. Headed the Yugoslav delegation at three meetings of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference in Copenhagen, and at the Preparatory Committee for the Conference of Non-Aligned and Developing Countries on the Role of Women in Development (Baghdad, 1979) in which she also took part.

Member of Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) since 1982. One of the Committee's Co-Chairmen, 1982-83. Took active part in the work of the Committee and its working groups.

Ms. Dora Gladys Nancy Bravo Núñez de Ramsey (Ecuador)

[Original: English]

Date of birth: 29 August 1941

Place of birth: Portoviejo, Ecuador

Superior studies:

Faculty of Law, Social and Political Sciences, University of Guayaquil

Profession:

Journalist
Lawyer

Professional trajectory:

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| 1962-1983 | Journalist for several major Ecuadorian newspapers and magazines |
| 1982-1988 | Cultural Coordinator of the Faculty of Law of the University of Guayaquil |
| 1988-present | Deputy Director for Cultural Relations of the Central Bank of Ecuador. |

Honorary positions:

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| 1970-1974 | Secretary of the National Journalist's Confederation of Ecuador |
| 1974-1975 | General Coordinator of the Ecuadorian Committee for the Celebration of the International Women's Year |
| 1979 | Vice-President of the V. Latin American Congress of Journalists, organized by ILAIP in Mar del Plata |
| 1979-1980 | Delegate of the Latin American Institute for Journalists Exchange ILAIP for Ecuador |
| 1982-1983 | Leading member of the Journalists' Circle of Guayas |
| 1982-1984 | Secretary of the Committee of Intellectuals to defend the sovereignty and the culture of the Latin American peoples. |

Honors:

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| 1973 | Prize pour le mérite by the Ecuadorian National Confederation of Journalists |

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1975 Honorary Mention of the National Union of Journalists

1981 Honorary Diploma of the Journalists' Circle of Guayas.

Courses, Congresses, Seminars:

1972 Assistant to the third Seminar on Latin American Integration, organized by the Inter-American Committee of Women of the OAS in La Paz, Bolivia

1975 Member of the Ecuadorian delegation to the World Congress of Women, organized by the United Nations in Mexico.

Ms. Rose Nonyem Ukeje (Nigeria)

[Original: English]

Date of birth: 5th January 1943

Place of origin: Ihiagwa-Owerri, Imo State

Marital status: Married

No. of children: Four

Schools attended and dates:

(a) Ibo Union School, Sabon-Gari, Kano, Northern Nigeria (January 1950-1957)

(b) Queen's School, Enugu (1957-1966)

Colleges and Universities attended:

(a) University of Nigeria, Nsukka

(b) Nigerian Law School (September 1970-June 1971)

(c) Commonwealth Legislative Drafting Institute, Ghana (September 1976-March 1977)

Degrees held:

(a) Ll.B (Hons.) (UNN)

(b) Bl.

(c) Admitted to Practice in Nigeria (June 26, 1971)

(d) Diploma in Legislative Drafting (March 1971)

Law practice experience:

(a) Private Legal Practice (1967-1970, June-November 1971)

- Public Prosecutions Department, Ministry of Legal Affairs, Lusaka, Zambia (December 1971-May 1973)

- Assistant Legal Draftsman, Ministry of Legal Affairs, Lusaka, Zambia (January-June 1973)

(b) Federal Ministry of Justice, Lagos (July 1973)

Professional appointments and positions held:

(a) Assistant Legal Draftsman, Ministry of Legal Affairs, Zambia

(b) Senior State Counsel, Federal Ministry of Justice (July 1973)

(c) Legal Adviser, International Secretariat of the Second World Black and Africa Festival of Arts and Culture (FESTAC) (1975-1977)

(d) Assistant Legal Draftsman (1980-1981)

(e) Deputy Legal Draftsman (January 1985)

(f) Appointed to the Federal High Court Bench (October 30, 1986)

International Conferences attended:

- Commonwealth Law Ministers' Conference, London (As a member of the Zambian Delegation) (March 1975)

- UNESCO Conference on the Preservation of Cultural Property, Lisbon, Portugal (1978)

- United Nations Environmental Programme Technical Committee of Legal Experts, Geneva, Switzerland (March 1980)

- United Nations Decade for Women, Copenhagen, Denmark (1980)

- Commonwealth Conference for the Review of Extradition Arrangement, London (1982)

- Law Minister's Conference, Colombo, Sri Lanka (1983)

- Commonwealth Law Conference, Lagos, Nigeria (1982)

- Nigerian-Equatorial Guinea Joint Commission (October 1982)

- United Nations Industrial Development Organization Conference on the Transfer of Technology, Madrid, Spain (September 1983)

- Forty-third ordinary session of the Council of Ministers of the Organization of African Unity, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia (July 10-16, 1985)

- World Conference to Review and Appraise the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women: Equality, Development and Peace, Nairobi, Kenya (July 15-20, 1985)

- United Nations Committee Conference on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

Member of the following bodies:

(a) Member representing Nigeria on the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

(b) Member, Association of Commonwealth Legal Draftsmen

(c) Law and Status of Women Committee of the National Council of Women's Societies of Nigeria

(d) Member, Nigerian National Committee on Women

Clubs and other societies:

International Federation of Women Lawyers

Special achievement:

Election as a member of the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

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